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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 1, 2003, applicant provisionally elects Group II, with partial traverse. The restriction of groups I, IV, and V is traversed. Group III (claim 3) is merged by amendment with Group II. Group VI is merged by amendment with group V. The restriction of group VII is not traversed.

